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Office Action Summary

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 13 July 2001.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-19 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-19 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) ✓
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 09/09/2002. ✓
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless --

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

The changes made to 35 U.S.C. 102(e) by the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA) and the Intellectual Property and High Technology Technical Amendments Act of 2002 do not apply when the reference is a U.S. patent resulting directly or indirectly from an international application filed before November 29, 2000. Therefore, the prior art date of the reference is determined under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) prior to the amendment by the AIPA (pre-AIPA 35 U.S.C. 102(e)).

1. Claims 1-19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Timmons (US 6,735,586 B2).

Regarding claim 1, Timmons teaches a method for network-based information management (abstract), comprising the steps of:

(a) initiating a first habitat having markers utilized for identifying information selected by a user (col.2 lines 9-19);

(b) retrieving the information associated with the markers (col.2 lines 9-19);

(c) displaying the selected information on an information screen of the first habitat utilizing a network (col. 2 lines 1-19 and col.. 3 lines 47-67);

(d) allowing a plurality of users to view the information screen of the first habitat (col. 2 lines 9-11 and col. 9 lines 41-55); and

(e) allowing the first habitat to access a second habitat for retrieving information from the second habitat (Fig 5 col. 9 lines 23-47).

Regarding claim 2, Timmons teaches the second habitat retrieves information from the first habitat (col. 9 lines 44-46).

Regarding claim 3, Timmons teaches the first habitat selects portions of the retrieved information for display based on user-input (col. 3 line 51-67).

Regarding claim 4, Timmons teaches the first habitat connects directly to the second habitat for retrieving the information from the second habitat (col. 11 lines 22-24).

Regarding claim 5, Timmons teaches the first habitat sends out a request for desired information to a plurality of habitats and retrieves the desired information from at least one of the habitats responding to the request (col. 9 lines 40-55).

Regarding claim 6, Timmons teaches first habitat is in communication with a plurality of habitats (col. 9 lines 40-55).

Regarding claim 7, Timmons teaches an application communicate with the first habitat for retrieving information therefrom (col. 4 lines 50-59).

Regarding claim 8, Timmons teaches the first habitat interacts with an application for performing tasks (col. 3 lines 51-64).

Regarding claim 9, Timmons teaches each of the habitats has an assigned address (col. 9 lines 44-47).

Regarding claim 10, a computer program product of claim 10 has a corresponding method of claim 1; therefore, claim 10 is rejected under the same rationale as applied to claim 1.

the second habitat (Fig 5 col. 9 lines 23-47).

Regarding claim 11, Timmons teaches the second habitat retrieves information from the first habitat (col. 9 lines 44-46).

Regarding claim 12, Timmons teaches the first habitat selects portions of the retrieved information for display based on user-input (col. 3 line 51-67).

Regarding claim 13, Timmons teaches the first habitat connects directly to the second habitat for retrieving the information from the second habitat (col. 11 lines 22-24).

Regarding claim 14, Timmons teaches the first habitat sends out a request for desired information to a plurality of habitats and retrieves the desired information from at least one of the habitats responding to the request (col. 9 lines 40-55).

Regarding claim 15, Timmons teaches first habitat is in communication with a plurality of habitats (col. 9 lines 40-55).

Regarding claim 16, Timmons teaches an application communicate with the first habitat for retrieving information therefrom (col. 4 lines 50-59).

Regarding claim 17, Timmons teaches the first habitat interacts with an application for performing tasks (col. 3 lines 51-64).

Regarding claim 18, Timmons teaches each of the habitats has an assigned address (col. 9 lines 44-47).


Regarding claim 19, a system of claim 19 has a corresponding method of claim 1; therefore, claim 19 is rejected under the same rationale as applied to claim 1.

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Oanh L. Duong whose telephone number is (703) 305-0295. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday- Friday, 8:00AM - 5:30PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Hosain T. Alam can be reached on (703) 308-6662. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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